



**EXPEDITED HANDLING PROCEDURE
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
GROUP ART UNIT: 1774**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Inventor: Albert MODL et al

Application No.: 10/030,163

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Customer No.: 23364

Examiner: Daniel ST.CYR

Art Unit: 2876

For: METHOD, DEVICE AND SYSTEM FOR BIOMETRICALLY
AUTHENTICATING A PERSON

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is in response to the Office Action of August 12, 2003. A petition to extend the period to respond by one month is appended herewith and a Request for Continued Examination was filed concurrently with this amendment, effectively removing the finality of the rejection of claims 1-18.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.